

**KANAB CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING
APRIL 18, 2011
KANAB CITY LIBRARY
3:30 p.m.**

PRESENT: Mayor Nina Laycook, Council Members Ed Meyer, Jim Sorenson, Tony Chatterley, Steve Mower and Cheryl Brown, City Attorney Van Mackelprang, City Manager/Recorder Duane Huffman and City Treasurer RaeLene Johnson.

Cheryl Brown was sworn in as a City Council Member to fulfill Shaun Smith's term ending December 31, 2011 by Judge Gary Johnson.

WORK MEETING: The Fiscal 2011/12 budget was discussed.

City Manager Huffman said that this presentation did not include the Bridge, Airport, firehouse, senior citizen's center or the storm water.

Council Member Meyer expressed his desire to get a Memorandum of Understanding with the County since they are willing to help with the cost of a new Senior Citizen Center. He felt \$12,500 could be budgeted to hold for a feasibility study. Council Member Sorenson stated that this needs to be on the Capital Improvement Investment List.

Revenues and Expenditures were discussed.

Council Member Sorenson said that the City needs to wean themselves from the Water and Sewer Fund. He feels that the community isn't getting good benefits from their water and sewer payments, if the money is being used for other things. Council Member Mower said that the State won't help fund our water projects because we are not charging enough. Sorenson still felt that if the water and sewer fund has such a surplus that the general fund can borrow from it, the water rates for the citizens should be lowered.

Council Member Sorenson suggested that Russell Keller, the Building Inspector, should be more involved in Planning and Zoning. Council Member Meyer was concerned with a trained/well-paid employee painting fences.

The airport budget was reviewed. It was suggested to review the fees for leasing the T-Hangers.

The Police Budget was discussed. There were three options. One included moving the department to the new jail facility and giving Chief Cram 401 K money since the City isn't paying into his retirement and a new car for the department. The others didn't include moving to the new jail or Chief Cram's 401'K, but one included the cost of a new car.

The Fire Department budget was discussed. Chief Decker would like to increase some of the volunteers stipend and pay a training officer \$250 a month and increase the assistant fire chief to

\$350.

The cleaning contract at the library was discussed. Council Member Meyer felt it should be put out to bid every year. The Beautification and Tree budget were discussed.

Council Member Meyer was concerned with the \$15,000 given to the Volunteer Center. He wanted to know if the City gets an accounting of the money. Mayor Laycook wanted a year to get some experience.

Council Member Sorenson wanted to include money in the web budget. City Manager Huffman was concerned with a community calendar. Council Member Sorenson felt that the City needed to take the lead. The City needs one community calendar, so it won't be so confusing.

Council Member Meyer felt that the employees needed to pay at least 5% of their health insurance. Council Member Brown said she would rather have cuts in other areas and not with the employees. City Manager Huffman pointed out the possibility of a employee committee to review and recommend changes in salary and benefits. Council Member Chatterley liked the idea of the employees deciding and being a part of the process. Council Member Meyer didn't think that was a good idea.

The Recreation Director was discussed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Meyer and 2nd by Council Member Mower. Motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR

NINA LAYCOOK

RECORDER DUANE HUFFMAN